

# Town of Alden July Newsletter

INDEPENDENCE DAY

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#### Leo the Lion comes back home

After a winter hiatus, Leo has come back home, assuming his perch at the Town wading pool. With a trip to a local health spa, {aka *Gillen's Expert Anto*} our friendly lion received a complete make over. Originally donated to the Town by the Alden Lions Club, Leo has been a welcoming fixture to the wading pool for many generations.

Thankfully, because Leo the Lion does not have health insurance, the *Alden Winterfest Committee* stepped up and covered the cost of the restoration. We all knew Gillen's does a great job at auto and collision repair, little did we know they also do Lion repair.

In Memorial Park, the Lion sleeps tonight. Leo is ready and eagerly anticipating the opening of the wading pool on Monday, June  $25^{\rm th}$ .



# Family Movie Nights

Alden Recreation Director has announced this year's Summer Family Movie Nights.

The movie showings begin, Thursday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, and run every Thursday during the month of July. Showtime starts at dusk, in the back of the Town of Alden Memorial Park. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs; refreshments and snacks will be sold. The 2018 schedule includes:

## July 5<sup>th</sup> Big Hero 6

Robotics prodigy Hiro, lives in the city of San Fransokyo. Next to his older brother, Hiro's closest companion is Baymax, a robot whose sole purpose is to take care of people. When a devastating turn of events throws Hiro into the middle of a dangerous plot, he transforms Baymax and his other friends, Go Go Tamago, Wasabi, Honey Lemon and Fred into a band of high-tech heroes.

July 12<sup>th</sup> BFG {Big Friendly Giant} Seven-year-old Sophie is in for the adventure of a lifetime when she meets the Big Friendly Giant (Mark Rylance). Naturally scared at first, the young girl soon realizes that the 24-foot behemoth is actually quite gentle and charming. As their friendship grows, Sophie's presence attracts the unwanted attention of Bloodbottler, Fleshlumpeater and other giants. After traveling to London, Sophie and the BFG must convince Queen Victoria to help them get rid of all the bad giants once and for all.

#### July 19<sup>th</sup> We Bought a Zoo

Following his wife's untimely death, Los Angeles journalist Benjamin Mee decides to make a fresh start by quitting his job and moving his children to an 18-acre property containing the Rosemoor Wildlife Park Though closed for years, Rosemoor is still home to many animals, cared for by Kelly Foster and her small staff. Mee opens his heart and his checkbook as he, Kelly and the others work to renovate and reopen the zoo.

#### July 26<sup>th</sup> Wreck-It Ralph

Arcade-game character Wreck-It Ralph is tired of always being the "bad gny" and losing to his "good gny" opponent, Fix-It Felix. Finally, after decades of seeing all the glory go to Felix, Ralph decides to take matters into his own hands. He sets off on a game-hopping trip to prove that he has what it takes to be a hero. However, while on his quest, Ralph accidentally unleashes a deadly enemy that threatens the entire arcade.



# Alden Auto Show July 29th

The Alden Car, Truck and Cycle Show, Arts & Music Festival, aka. Alden Auto Show is an annual event dedicated to raising funds for Mercy

Flight Western New York. Hailed as WNY's Premier auto and motorcycle show, this event is one of Mercy Flight's largest fundraisers. Through the dedication, commitment and generosity of the show's sponsors, committee members, volunteers, attendees and community supporters, this event has raised over \$200,000 over the years to support our mission. This premier, family-friendly annual event, which started in 2004, (formerly The Marilla Auto Show) brings out the coolest classic and custom cars, trucks, and motorcycles; not just locally, but from all over the East Coast and Canada!

### Summer Recreation is here

Summer's here and to quote Alice

Cooper, "School's Out", so what are the kids to do? The Alden Recreation Department has just the alternative to them spending hours on their video games. With programs ranging from basketball, tennis and swimming to arts and crafts or dance classes the summer

to arts and crafts or dance classes the summer program has an activity for everyone. The program runs daily {except July 4<sup>th</sup>} with an emphasis on FUN

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	
Please come and enjay a wonderful, authlious	3 Independence Day Meal Sahlen's Hot Dog w/ Chili Sauce on a Bun Corn on the Cob Vegetable Blend Potato Salad Strawberry Swirl Ice Creem	Happy 4st of July!	5 Chicken Breast Breaded with Gravy Mashed Potatoes Caulflower Wheat Dinner Roll Chocolate Chip Cookles	Alden Comm./Sr. Center 13116 W. Moin St.
meal served at one of 45 dining sites incated throughout ERIE COUNTY. Please give 48 hour notice if <u>ordering</u>	10 Cabbage Roll with Savory Sauce Scalloped Potatoes Carrots Rye Bread Sugar Cookies	11 Ham Steak with Maple Glaze Mashed Sweet Potatoes Green Beans with Red Peppers Wheat Bread Strawberry Gelatin with Mandarin Oranges	12 Chef Side Salad with Dressing Penne Pasta with Meatballs and Tornato Sauce with Mozzarella Cheese, Peas Tropical Fruit Cup	To <u>order</u> or <u>concel</u> funch call: "Beveriy Welsbecker 937-4018 Cell 207-1640 "Community Center on Tues, Wed. or Thurs, from 10 AM to 1 PM 937-4280 BINGO
or cancelling meals.  Suggested Meal donation: \$3.00  All donations are confidential; nobody is denied a meal due to an inability to pay.  All meals served with 1% or 2% milk. Coffee  Hot tea and water are free, For Olining Site information or Locations Call or Email 858-7639 www.erie.aau/stardit	17 Entrée Salad Tuna Macaroni Salad on a Bed of Lettuce with Tomatoes Crackers Tropical Fruit Cup	18 Lasagna Roll with Tomato Meat Sauce & Mozzarella Cheese Seasoned Spinach with Mushrooms, Cauliflower Italian Bread Strawberry Bavarian	19 Turkey with Stuffing & Gravy Sour Cream & Chive Mashed Potatoes Carrots Lemon Cake with Frosting	Tuesday 12:45 PM GAMES/CARDS Rummy, Trivial Pursuit, Una 1st & 3rd Thursdays 12:30 PM Pat Holmes 238-3755 CERAMICS Thursday 9 AM ALDEN SENIOR VAN Tues, Wed., Thurs. To Schedule Call Senior Van Cell: 480-6532 Driver: Joyce Eastland ALDEN SENIOR TRAVEL July 10 Double Decker Delight Bies Tour of Buffolo w/Lunch Holen at 937-6722 Louise at 937-3466 ALDEN SENIOR CLUB MEETINGS: 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday
	24 Chef Side Salad Stuffed Shells with Tomato Sauce & Mozzarella Cheese Seasoned Spinach Chef Salad with Dressing Italian Bread Pineapple Titchts	25 Christmas in July Breaded Chicken Drumsticks Mashed Sweet Potatoes Brussels Sprouts Dinner Roll Chocolate Eclair	26 Roast Beef w/Gravy & Horseradish Garlic Mashed Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Sandwich Roll Sugar Cookies	
	31 Sliced Roast Pork with Mushroom Gravy Rice Pilaf Harvard Beets Wheat Dinner Roll Fresh Orange Chocolate Milk		242 YEARS	

# Senior News

**Monday, July 9** – Installation of Officers at McGruder's – Noon – contact Donna Zinter at 937-6297 or cell 913-3177 – member cost is \$12. Reservations required.

**Wednesday, July 25<sup>th</sup>** – July Birthday Celebrations – with root beer floats.

**Monday, Wednesday** and **Friday** each week – join the seniors for a walk in the park at 10:00am – meet at the shelter behind the Community Center. Second and fourth Wednesdays – walk will be after the meeting.

# July 4<sup>th</sup> why we celebrate – More than Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and Fireworks



On July 4, 1776, the thirteen colonies claimed their independence from England, an event which eventually led to the formation of the United States. Each year on July 4th, also known as Independence Day, Americans celebrate this historic event.

Conflict between the colonies and England was already a year old when the colonies convened a Continental Congress in Philadelphia in the summer of 1776. In a June 7 session in the Pennsylvania State House (later Independence Hall), Richard Henry Lee of Virginia presented a resolution with the famous words: "Resolved: That these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent

States, that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain is, and ought to be, totally dissolved."

On July 1, 1776, the Continental Congress reconvened, and on the following day, the Lee Resolution for independence was adopted by 12 of the 13 colonies, New York not voting. Discussions of Jefferson's Declaration of Independence resulted in some minor changes, but the spirit of the document was unchanged. The process of revision continued through all of July 3 and into the late afternoon of July 4, when the Declaration was officially adopted. Of the 13 colonies, nine voted in favor of the Declaration, two -- Pennsylvania and South Carolina -- voted No, Delaware was undecided and New York abstained. John Hancock, President of the Continental Congress, signed the Declaration of Independence. It is said that John Hancock's signed his name "with a great flourish" so England's "King George can read that without spectacles!"

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